if so, the results thereof;

whether the frequent acquisitions and their sale for commercial purposes is likely to create a situation where the land may no longer be available for development purposes; and

the steps Government is contemplating in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) Land is a State subject and land is acquired under the respective Land Acquisition Acts. In the same way, land acquisition in Delhi is done under the provisions of Land Acquisition Act, 1894. Delhi Development Authority (DDA) is not empowered to directly acquire land and acquisition is done by the Government of National Capital Territory, of Delhi (GNCTD) under the provisions of the said Act. DDA makes advance payment on pre-determined rates to GNCTD for compensating persons whose land has been acquired. There have been demands for review of compensation package on land acquired and as far as Delhi is concerned, recently, the rates of acquisition of land have been increased. The requisition by DDA for acquisition of land is for planned development and for creation of various types of infrastructure in the city.

Minimum wages given by CPWD

3372. SHRI PRAVEEN RASHTRAPAL: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

the present rates of minimum wages for unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled workers as per CPWD;

the time when the last review of minimum wages for urban civil workers was carried out by CPWD; and

the comparative wages paid to casual workers, contract based workers and regular workers by the CPWD?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) Since the Central Civil Services (Classifications, Control & Appeal) Rules have been made applicable to the work-charged establishment of CPWD, all employees of CPWD are, therefore, placed in prescribed pay-scales fixed by the Central GovernmenJ. Therefore, the provisions of Minimum Wages Act, 1948 are hence not applicable for CPWD.

(b) and (c) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

Feeder services run by DMRC

3373. SHRI ALI ANWAR ANSARI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

whether complaints have been received by Government that the DMRC is violating various provisions of the State Road Authority in Delhi by running feeder services;

the status of these feeder services run by DMRC;

whether DMRC is earning crores of rupees through this service resulting in violation of STA regulations; and

if so, the steps Government proposes to take to check this practice of DMRC?